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BY HAND

Honorable Naomi Reice Buchwald United States District Judge Southern District of New York 500 Pearl Street New York, New York 10007

Re: United States v.

08 Cr. 258 (NRB)

Hon, Judge Buchwald:

I write to the Court regarding the indictment against Ms. Alexis Hall. Ms. Hall is at liberty and is presently engaged in plea negotiations with the United States Attorney's Office. On Ms. Hall's behalf we are trying to convince the government to decline prosecution on the indictment pending against her. We are in the process of submitting such a request and need a three-week adjournment of the May 14th status conference. ASUA Alperts consents to this request.

To that end, we request that the time between May 14, 2008 and the next status conference date set by the court, be excluded under the Speedy Trial Act, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, section 3161(h)(8)(A). Excluding time will best serve the ends of justice and outweigh the best interests of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial, because it will allow the government and defense counsel to continue discussions regarding a possible disposition in the matter. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

Sabrina P. Shroft

cc: J. Alperts, AUSA

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